

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Charles V. Burton  
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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

**AUTHORIZATION FOR CHARGES/CREDITS TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT**

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17  
which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment,  
to Deposit Account No. 23-3000.

Respectfully submitted,

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